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GLENDALÉ SUMMER CONCERT SERIES KICKS OFF 47TH SEASON JUNE 6

GLENDALÉ, Ariz. – Glendale's favorite summer tradition is back for its 47th season beginning June 6 in downtown Glendale.

The eight-week concert series takes place each Thursday at 8 p.m. June 6 through July 25, in the Murphy Park Amphitheater, located at 59th Avenue and Glenn Drive; with the exception of the holiday week in July, when the concert will be held Wednesday, July 3. Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by this community band of approximately 100 musicians with its renditions of marches, ballads and show tunes. This year's themed concerts will include an All-American/Patriotic concert, movie music, a salute to Broadway, a hometown celebration, sing-along, summer road trip and a salute to Leroy Anderson.

The city of Glendale recently named former Band Manager Ken Jaeger as the new conductor and band director. Retired in 2007, Jaeger was band director and performing/visual arts department chairman at Westview High School, and formerly director at Tolleson High School for 14 years. He earned his Bachelor of Music degree from Arizona State University and his Master of Science in Fine Arts degree from Southern Oregon University in Ashland, Oregon. Ken has served as Arizona Music Educators Association (AMEA) president, vice president of high school activities and editor of the *Arizona Music News*. Jaeger replaced long-time conductor and band director John Faris, who retired after 19 years with the Glendale Summer Band.

The Glendale Summer Band is the longest- running community band in Arizona. The ages of the volunteer band members span several generations. The band was formed in 1966, originally playing at O'Neil Park, and moving to Murphy Park when the amphitheater was built.

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These free concerts are the perfect night out for the entire family, or bring your friends, neighbors, the whole gang! Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Food, snacks and refreshments will be available for purchase at the concerts, which will go on through July 25.

Can't make a show? Check out the concert from the comfort of home with our live web stream. Find the link to the stream on the GlendaleAZ.com home page or www.glendaleaz.com/video, where you will find a full library of Glendale 11 programming to watch on demand.

The Glendale Summer Band concert series is sponsored by Glendale Civic Pride. For more information, call the Glendale's Special Events hotline at 623-930-2299, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events.

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